TAFT WILL SUCCEED ROOT. POST HAS BEEN OFFERED HIM

AND HE WILL ACCEPT. President Gave Up Hope of Keeping Root

Yesterday-Resignation Will He in President's Hands Within Two Weeks, to Announce When He Sees Fit.

OTSTER BAY, N. Y., Aug. 11.-President Roosevelt has given up hope of keeping the Hon Elihu Root in the Cabinet, and Mr. Root, it can be said, almost without a dou t, will be succeeded shortly by Gov. Taft of the Philippines. This was learned here to-night on the highest authority.

idge Tait, it was said, has already signified his willingness to accept the place. While Secretary Root has not formally notified the President of his intention to resign at any given date, still Mr. Roosevelt knows that Mr. Root will not serve longer than the first of next year, and he may even send in his resignation within the next two

The President, it is said, has known for more than eighteen months that Mr. Root desired earnestly to leave the Cabinet and return to his law practice in New York, and during that time kept him only through

frequent urgings. Mr. Roesevelt gave up hope of holding Mr. Root longer very recently. In fact, there is excellent reason to believe that even so late as yesterday the President thought that there were still chances that Mr. Root would remain in the Cabinet through the entire winter, if not longer It is, however, denied that any authoritative communication was received to-day announcing the Secretary's intention of getting out soon.

The President, since the possibility of the retirement of Secretary Root was suggested has, it is said, conferred with Mr. Root many times about his successor, and they are said to be thoroughly in accord in the selection of Judge Taft. Gov. Taft's wide experience in all matters connected with the Philippines, his fine executive ability and his knowledge of the law mark him. it is said, as without a rival for the place in the opinion of Mr. Roosevelt and Secre-

tary Root. Washington, Aug. 11.—The resignation of Elihu Root as Secretary of War will be sent to the President before Secretary Root leaves for Europe on Aug. 21. At the recent conference between the President and the Secretary of War, President Roosevelt was informed of Mr. Root's determination to leave the Cabinet as soon as

It was then determined that as Secretary Root might be kept in London for some time as a member of the Alaskan Boundary Tribunal, he should place his resignation in the hands of the President before his departure, so that his successor could be selected at any time and give his attention to the important matters in regard to the Philippines that may require legislation by the next Congress.

Under the circumstances no date could a named when the resignation should take effect, but it was explained to the President that in any event Secretary Root desired to leave the Cabinet early

next January. At the same time, should he be unable to return here before Nov. 9, when Congress meets, it is understood that the President will accept the resignation and im-It is recognized by the President that Sec-

retary Root's successor must be thoroughly familiar with the work in the Philippines. and it is generally understood that Gov. Taft has been selected to be the next Secre There has been some talk of nominating

Secretary Root for Governor of New York. This is an honor which it can be said with authority he has never sought and does not desire. If the nomination were offered to him he would decline it because of his determination to enter again upon the prac-

Customs Officials Assessed Him That S on Dutiable Goods.

R. VANDERBILT PAID \$8,000.

Boston, Aug. 11.-When Reginald C. Vanderbilt returned, yesterday, with his bride after a three months' honeymoon in Europe, he was obliged to pay the customs officials \$8,000. This is the biggest collection ever made from a returned tourist at the port of Boston. The nearest approach to it was last year, when Lars Andersen paid \$3,600 in response to the edict of the Appraiser.

That his declaration, presumably for less amount, had not been accepted and that the contents of his trunks were overhauled by the inspectors, evidently upset young Mr. Vanderbilt, but when, some hours later, it came to settling his bill, he was the picture of outward calm. He is said to have vowed he would never again return to America by way of this port. Two hours' delay and the overturning of his goods evidently worried him more than paying out the \$8,000. The customs officials are silent as to

their reason for failing to accept Mr. Vanderbilt's declaration. They will not acknowledge that it is unusual to do so in the case of a man of his standing.

J. J. HILL'S ASSESSMENT RAISED. The St. Paul Board of Equalization Adds \$62,000.

St. PAUL, Minn., Aug. 11.-The Board o Equalization got down to real business today and in an hour made several important changes. James J. Hill's assessment was raised from \$138,000 to \$200,000. Mayor Smith was the only one who did not care to act hastily in raising Mr. Hill's assess-

"He put in great shops and brought over 5,000 workmen into this city, and I don't think we should discourage him by piling on taxes," said the Mayor. The protest

Auditor Krahmer accused Assessor Con-ley of having received a list of assessments for the Jobbers' Union and assessing the jobbers at their own figures. Mr. Conley hotly resented this accusation.

LAKEWOOD DOCTOR FOUND, ILL, At a Poushkeepsie Hotel-Had Wandered

Far After Disappearing. LAKEWOOD, N. J., Aug. 11 .- Dr. H. H ate, the Lakewood physician who disappeared from a hotel in New York on April 21, was found, very ill and in a demented condition, at the Hotel Morgan, at Poughkeepsle, to-day. The doctor had registered as G. Foster of New York. He had been wandering around the

He had been wandering around the country, going as far West as Kansas City. Remember, all R. R. tickets bet. N. Y. and Albany are good via Day Line steamers. Music.—Ade.

G.A. R. OPPOSES WOOD'S ADVANCE POPE FAINTS ON THE ALTAR. Plan for an Expression by the Nationa Encampment.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 11,-Prominent members of the G. A. R. are considering a move ment to bring about an expression from the National Encampment, which will meet in San Francisco in a few days, in opposition to the promotion of Gen. Leonard Wood to be a Major-General.

A set of resolutions has already been prepared and distributed to certain G. A. R. men for their consideration. Their purport, it is said, is not directly to oppose Gen. Wood's nomination, as it is the intention to avoid making any direct references to an officer so close to President Roosevelt.

That the resolutions do "hit" Gen. Wood is the opinion of Col. Allen C. Blakewell of Lafayette Post, G. A. R., who was one of those to receive a copy. He hesitated, however, to say what he thought of the plan to have the National Encampment adopt the resolutions, and in a letter to Col. A. G. Mills he merely called attention to the copy of the resolutions and remarked in his room, even before people. He deupon the fact that they were against Gen. Wood.

Col. Mills is a retired army officer, and he sent a copy of Col. Blakewell's letter to an official in the War Department, together with a copy of the resolutions.

Army officers, in commenting upon the proposition to have the Grand Army encampment go on record in opposition to the promotion of Gen. Wood over the heads of so many men of greater length of service, do not hesitate to give the plan their approval.

TURKEY BUYS WAR SUPPLIES. Large Quantities of Ammunition From England.

Special Cable Despatches to THE SUN. CONSTANTINOPLE, Aug. 11.-Turkey is buying great quantities of ammunition, including cordite, from England. The first installment of the purchases will be shipped

Sofia, Aug. 11.-Representatives of the Macedonian revolutionary organization him air. The Noble Guards formed a ring have published a statement saying that the insurgents in the Monastir district brandy. number 8,000.

They are armed with Gras rifles, which were bought in Greece. On Aug. 2, 600 his eyes and seeing the anxious faces about insurgents slew three detachments of Turkish soldiers numbering 100 men.

They attacked the town of Kitchevo but failed to take it. They destroyed the village of Drougovo as punishment for the inhabitants assisting to defend though he was still pale and weak.

Kitchevo. The Christian villages of Smilevo, Krouche and Bolno have been completely destroyed because villagers fired on Turkish troops. The statement denies that any atrocities have been committed on peaceable Turks, as the Macedonian leaders at a meeting last

May forbade, on pain of death, violence against Turkish women, children and non-LONDON, Aug. 11.-A despatch from Constantinople, dated yesterday, says that an infernal machine, consisting of a box

filled with dynamite, exploded Sunday night in the freight shed of the Gibeftche The building was damaged, but nobody Philippopolis.

VIENNA, Aug. 11 .- Reports of the continued spread of the revolt in the Balkans are received here. It is believed that the insurgents now number 30,000. The most erious symptom is a sudden rising at Adrianople, where eighteen large bands are opposing the Turkish troops.

The French representative at Sofia who, like the other representatives, has proclamation of the revolution, has offered abouts. to receive and transmit news. None is yet forthcoming. The committee demands that Prince Ferdinand return to Sofia, or sign an agreement of neutrality.

LONDON, Aug. 12.-A despatch to the Times from Constantinople says that the officials at the palace are distracted by the continual receipt of bad news and the necessity of despatching more troops, while those already on the spot are disaffected. owing to want of pay and food and are uite out of hand.

They are pillaging Mohammedans and Christians alike and are selling their rifles to obtain food. New Bulgarian outrages are daily reported, accompanied by acts this afternoon. of cruelty that equal the worst ever attributed to the Turks.

The Sultan has offered \$40,000 indemnity o the family of M. Roskowsky, the Russian Consul, who was murdered by a Turkish soldier at Monastir.

APOLOGY TO RUSSIA.

Sultan Sends His Son to Express Regret at Murder of Consul.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN

ST. PETERSBURG, Aug. 11.-A telegram was received to-day from M. Zinovieff, Russian Ambassador at Constantinople, stating that by command of the Sultan Prince Ahmed Effendi, the fifth son of the Turkish sovereign, called at the embassy to express the deep distress and regret occasioned to his Majesty by the assassina tion of the Russian Consul by a Turkish entry at Monastir last Saturday. The Prince requested M. Zinovieff to bring to the notice of the Czar this renewed expression of feeling.

MORE RUSSIANS SHOT DOWN. Sixty, Including Women and

Killed at Kieff. Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

LONDON, Aug. 12.-The Vienna corresp ondent of the Times says that a Cracow newspaper published a despatch from Kieff stating that sixty persons were killed in the riots there on Thursday and Friday. The dead include women and children.

Volleys were fired by the troops at railvay men who were standing across the tracks to prevent trains from running. Some of the soldiers fired over the strikers heads and thus many persons in the upper part of the city were hit.

The strikers killed eight policemen stoned the Governor and pillaged provision stores.

The prisons and hospitals in Kieff are full, and the authorities are seeking accommodations for prisoners and wounded.

RECOVERS QUICKLY, BUT IS TOO WEAK TO GIVE HIS BLESSING.

Plus X. Said to Be Unhappy and Longing for His Former Life in Venice-Weeps While Welcoming a Deputation From There-Said to Have Weak Heart.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. ROME, Aug. 11.-The Pope celebrated mass in the Sistine Chapel to-day. The heat was intense, and while kneeling to give thanks after the mass the Pope fainted. The Venetian physician who usually accompanies his Holiness administered stimulants. The Pope recovered quickly and with-

drew. His face was deathly pale. The

incident created a commotion in the Vati-

can, and the report that the Pope has a weak heart has been revived. There are many reports in circulation to the effect that Pope Pius is unhappy and complaining. His grave, almost tearful, aspect at his coronation was universally noted.

It is now stated that he weeps constantly

clares that he can only be made happy by returning to Venice. He and the entire Venetian deputation, which he received yesterday, wept together. LONDON, Aug. 12 .- The Rome correspondent of the Telegraph says that the fainting

of the Pope while celebrating mass on Tuesday morning would amount to nothing but for the fact that he suffers from heart disease The excitement of the last few days, along

with his physical inactivity after his tranquil life in Venice, has upset his whole organism. His doctors, after making an examination, ordered him to take perfect rest from his duties, coupled with more About three hundred persons were pres-

ent in the Pauline Chapel and witnesse the distressing scene when the Pope fainted It was noticed that he was pale after he had communicated. He raised his hands as though in pain. swayed, and was caught as he fell. Men

and women burst into tears and fell on their knees praying for the Pope. Some rushed forward. His gown was opened at the neck to give

around him, and he was gradually revived with smelling salts and a few drops of His first words on recovering consciousness were for his sister. Then, opening

him, he smiled. After a rest he insisted upon walking to his room. He tried to stand and bless the people, but was too weak. He kept to

his room all day. He was reported to be better at night,

V. VANNUTELLI CHOSEN?

Secretary of State. Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. LONDON, Aug. 11 .- The Catholic Herald

Announcement That He Has Been Made

announces that Cardinal Vincenzo Vannutelli has been appointed Papal Secretary of Vincenzo Vannutelli, who is a Cardinal

Roman Campagna, on Dec. 5. 1836. ceived his red hat in 1889, and in 1900 was promoted to be Cardinal Bishop of Palestrina. He is a younger brother of Cardi-nal Serafino Vannutelli, who was looked was injured. The box had been sent from upon during the recent Conclave as a pos-Philippopolis.

CAN'T FIND YOUNG COUPLE.

They Went Out Rowing at Canada Lake and Haven't Returned-Boat Found.

Johnstown and Miss Florence Brown of New York city, guests at Canada Lake, near Gloversville, have disappeared, and been notified by the committee of the there is much conjecture as to their where-

Yesterday morning they engaged a skiff and rowed up Canada Lake to gather water lilies. They did not return by nightfall, as Bulgaria must either war against Turkey and searching parties were organized to scour the shore line of the lake and the adlacent woods.

One searching party came upon their boat. In it were a sack, a sweater and one oar. The other oar was found floating in the lake. To-day the idea that the two perished

has been succeeded by a well-defined belief that Evans and Miss Brown left their craft where it was found and travelled by way of Dolgeville to this city, where, it is reported, they were married

Diligent inquiry, however, failed to reveal any such marriage here. A significant fact in connection with the young people's disappearance was the arrival of Evans's flancée at Canada Lake from Pittsburg a few hours after he left in a boat with Miss Brown in a hunt for water lilies. Many cling to the theory of drowning, and say that Evans and Miss Brown were too slightly acquainted to have eloped.

MARYLAND REPUBLICAN ROW.

Six Hours of Turmell in the Home of

CUMBERLAND, Md., Aug. 11 .- The Republican convention to-day, to decide party supremacy in this county, the home of Lowndes, Wellington and Congressman Pearre, was almost constantly on the verge of riot. It lasted six hours and upon two occasions the police were called and it required about a half hour each time to restore order.

Both the McComas and anti-McComas people claim control of the delegation of five named for the Legislature. Four of the nominees were on Wellington's anti-McComas slate, but the McComas people say they picked out the successful ticket first and Wellington unwittingly played into their hands.

Wellington was always in the turmoil and was often hissed. His face became red when McKinley's picture was brought on the stage. Robert W. McMichael, a leading attorney, was ejected from the convention by Chief

of Police McDonald during one of the exciting scenes. On two occasions the fight for delegates resembled rushes in a football game. Ex-Gov. Lowndes's friends were with the anti-McComas forces, and this may

cause McComas to attempt to withhold from him the gubernatorial nomination. No other factory has the machinery to make collar buttons equal to the Krementz One Piece.—Ade.

AT SEA IN A BROKEN LAUNCH. PLUNGED INTO CANAL IN AUTO Man Picked Up Nine Miles From Shor

-Had Been Atleat Thirty Hours. BALTIMORE, Md., Aug. 11.—The steamer Caroline of the Queen Anne's Railroad Company, on her afternoon trip from Cape May to Baltimore yesterday afternoon, picked up a gasolene launch in distress about nine miles off the Henlopen light-

house, on the Rehoboth shore. Capt. Gilliland of the Caroline first saw the small boat far out at sea while glancing along the horizon with his telescope. The craft could not be seen with the naked eye. As the steamer approached the noise awakened a man who was sleeping in the

bottom of the launch. He told Capt. Gilliland that he was a resident of Lewes, Del., and that he had been on the ocean since early on Sunday afternoon without food or water. He said that early the day before he went out for a trip on the ocean, and that when several miles from shore his engine broke. He could do nothing but watch for some one to pick him up. Without anything to eat or drink, he had been bobbing about for more than thirty hours. A line was thrown the man, and he was towed to Lewes. He refused to tell his

WHITNEY TO LEAVE SARATOGA? He Denies Report That to Beat Gamblers

He Would Close Racecourse. SARATOGA, N. Y., Aug. 11.—The local gamblers, as distinguished from those who come here for summer profit only, have taken the bit in their teeth. Everybody is telling everybody else here to-night that the wheels are going round and the deal boxes are working in a place not more than a mile or two from the Delaware and Hudson station, in which place, according to common report, a village official has a large interest. According to the same report, the place was doing business last

night and will be to-morrow night. Connected with this tale is one that was circulated at the track this afternoon to the effect that one of the local soldiers of fortune had served notice on Mr. Whitney that if the gambling houses were not allowed to open, the gamblers would see to it that betting at the racetrack was stopped. Whereupon, according to this story, Mr. Whitney said that, as soon as the first move against the track was made, he would close the gates of the Saratoga course and run off the stakes at Morris Park or some other

track near New York. THE SUN correspondent asked Mr. Whit. nev about this story to-night and he said there was not a scintilla of truth in it, and that he had nothing to do with gambling

or the absence of it in Saratoga. When Pat Sheedy heard that at least one of the houses was open he said: "I'm glad my greenhouse isn't within range of Brackett's bricks. When he gets his throwing clothes on the Senator can

break more glass than anybody hereabouts.

and they tell me he's out looking for glass

targets this summer."

BAD NIGHT FOR THE KNIGHTS Seventy Pythians on the Amanda Aground

Passaic River while a piping gale, straight from the Lister fertilizer factory, whistled and howled through the rigging, about seventy members of Plato Lodge, No. 122, Knights of Pythias, spent several uncomfortable hours last night on the steamboat Amanda. They got away at 7 o'clock this morning, just as the ice water, which was

the only beverage on board, gave out. Early last evening the party started for Bergen Point in a special trolley car. Having got there they feasted and then boarded the Amanda for the return trip. In a few minutes the Amanda ran into a dense fog and a few minutes later got stuck on the mud flats. Then the captain got up on one of the tables and made a speech in which he told all hands to be brave and patient. After

Some of the passengers took his advice and put in the night playing cards. Others set about devising means for escaping. A lot of timber was found in various parts of of the boat and a bridge was built to the shore. The man who built it made the first trip on it and in half an hour returned with a rowboat to which three other boats were tied.

Several passengers went ashore in the boats and walked to Newark over the mud, but seventy decided it was too risky. The mosquitoes enjoyed the affair keenly.

BRYAN DID VOTE FOR WEAVER, But Pleads That His Action Was Part of Plan to Help Cleveland.

LINCOLN, Neb., Aug. 11.-W. J. Bryan has frequently admitted that he voted for the Weaver electors in 1892, and has never, in fact, denied the charge. What he does deny is that he bolted the Democratic ticket in that year or voted against the real interests of Mr. Cleveland.

In justification of his act in voting for Weaver he produces a circular letter sent out that year to every Democrat in the State by James E. Boyd, Nebraska member of the Democratic National Committee. advising and urging Democrats to vote for the Weaver electors, so that Nebraska might be lost to the Republicans. Mr. Boyd, it is said, did this at the suggestion of the National Chairman.

Mr. Bryan was a candidate for Congres that year and was elected. GOVERNMENT CHEATED ON ICE

Short-Weight Scales Alleged to Have Been Used by American Company. WASHINGTON, Aug. 11 .- Frauds, it is al leged, have been discovered in the contracts

by the American Ice Company for supplying ice to the various branches of the District Government. The Sealer of Weights and Measures o the District reported to the Board of Dis-

ernment was being defrauded fifteen pounds of ice out of every fifty pounds An investigation has shown that the scales used by the company in weighing the District ice supplies are fifteen pounds

trict Commissioners to-day that the Gov-

short. Commissioner West has ordered a rigid investigation of the case and has instructed the Sealer of Weights and Measures to make a report as soon as possible. The short-weight scales have been confiscated.

Burnett's Extract of Vanilla

H. F. SPAULDING DROWNED ON HIS WAY TO CHICAGO.

His Machine Swerved on Muddy Towpath -Men Let Go Rope Thrown to Him -His Wife and Mother, on Trip With Him, Were Awaiting Him at Syracuse.

FORT PLAIN, N. Y., Aug. 11.-Henry F. Spaulding, president of an automobile company in Buffalo, who was making an automobile trip from West Orange, N. J., to Chicago, was drowned in the canal four miles east of this village this afternoon.

He was on the towpath of the Erie Canal, owing to the muddy condition of the highway, and while turning out for a linemen's rig his automobile swerved more than he intended it should and man and machine plunged into the water. The linemen rushed to his aid, but in their excitement let go entirely of the rope, one end of which was intended for the drowning man. One of them then hastened to Sprakers, a hamlet near at hand, for assistance, but

was recovered. The machine, uninjured and with brakes set, was also recovered by men working under the direction of Silas Cohen of Sprak-

by the time help arrived Spaulding had

gone down for the last time. The body

ers, superintendent of this section. A draft for \$5,000, payable to his order, was found in Spaulding's pocket. He was en route to Chicago and met with an accident one week ago to-day that kept him in Amsterdam for repairs until this afternoon. Meantime, his travelling companions, his wife and mother, had gone on to Syracuse. where they were awaiting Spaulding in order to continue the journey with him.

The body and the automobile are at

Canajoharie in charge of Coroner Vickers,

and relatives at various places have been notified Spaulding was a veteran automobilist, and told Dr. J. C. Jackson of this village yesterday that he had driven 60,000 miles. Jackson and his wife were automobiling from New York to their home here, but abandoned the machine at Coxsackie owing to the dangerous condition of the roads. and they advised Spaulding to ship his auto-

mobile to Syracuse. He said that he considered himself equal to the difficulties before him and would continue the journey. BUFFALO, Aug. 11.-Mr. Spaulding was 34 years old and his Buffalo home was on Sixteenth street. He was president of the Spaulding Automobile and Supply

He went to Orange, N. J., on July 4 to spend the summer. A week ago he wrote to a friend in Buffalo that he had bought a new automobile and would ride to Buffalo in it. Before he came to Buffalo to live Mr. Spaulding's home was in West Orange.

Company, whose affairs are in the hands

KILLED BY 18-STORY FALL. Boy Plunges Into the Elevator Shaft to the Arthur Building.

A fall of eighteen stories yesterday afternoon instantly killed William Blade, a twelve-year-old office boy, who lived with his father, Jesse Blade, at Third avenue and Seventy-fourth street, Brooklyn. He was employed by Alexander J. Sheldon, a tea and coffee merchant at 100 Front street, zinc. Its power of resistance is said to Orange, N. J., Aug. 11.—Cast ashore off shafts of the Arthur Building, at 74 Broad-

way.

Mr. Sheldon sent the boy on an errand to the eighteenth floor and he entered the elevator operated by Alonzo M. Nice, who lives at 343 West Fifty-fourth street. When the elevator reached the seventeenth floor Nice stopped to let a passenger off. Blade, thinking that he had reached the floor he wanted, got off, too, but saw his mistake and turned quickly to reënter.

Nice had started the elevator and was closing the gate. The boy, when he saw

Nice had started the elevator and was closing the gate. The boy, when he saw the opening ahead of him, stretched out his arms to catch himself, but plunged head foremost down the shaft to the New street basement, which is a floor below the ground. He struck the bottom with a crash that brought many of the tenants into the hall-ways. Most of them thought that an elevator had fallen. The boy's body was horribly mangled and he had been killed instantly. The palms of his hands were thickly smeared with grease, as though in his fall he had tried to save himself by catching the chains that hang under the eatching the chains that hang under the

elevator Nice, the elevator man, was locked up in the Old Slip station house on a charge of homicide. He told the sergeant that Blade forced the elevator door open.

THE. ALLEN IS RAIDED AGAIN, With Cops on Ladders Barring the Win dows-Four Arrests.

For the eighty-eighth time The. Allen's poolroom in lower Sixth avenue was raided resterday afternoon. Capt. Hogan of the Mercer street station had secured warrants from Justice Holbrook in Special Sessions for seven members of the Doe family Armed with these and assisted by three detectives and twenty policemen in plain clothes, Capt. Hogan swooped down on the place shortly after 4 o'clock.

Before the two lookouts knew what had happened they were grabbed by as many detectives and Capt. Hogan and Detective Cooke rushed upstairs. A man attempted to block their entrance to the second floor but didn't do it, and the captain entered the poolroom, in which there were packed together about 300 men, black and white. The appearance of the police threw the 300 into a panic and most of them leaped for the windows, at each of which they were confronted by a policeman mounted on a adder. Several tumbled out of the windows and carried the policemen with them.
One of those inside, James Jones, a negro, broke his leg and was sent to St. Vincent's Hospital. After the excitement had subsided, Capt. Hogan picked out four men for whom he had warrants and locked them up. The other three were either taking a day off or escaped.

GREENE MAKES LATE VISITS. Drops In at Police Station Alone and Sei geant Doesn't Recognize Him.

Police Commissioner Greene walked into he Eldridge street station alone at 11 o'clock last night and started to go behind the desk. Sergt. Ivory had never seen him before.
"Where are you going?" he asked.
"Behind the desk," was the reply, "I am Commissioner Greene."

ommissioner Greene.
Then the sergeant saluted. Gen. Greene ispected the house and then started for East Twenty-second street station. It the East Twenty-second street station. It may have been nothing more than a coincidence that Capt. Flood, who is in command at Eldridge street, reported sick yesterday. Sergt. Steve McDermott is acting

Aged Man Sails His Schooner Alone. BOOTHBAY HARBOR, Me., Aug. 11 .-Capt. Cambage, 70 years old and lame, sailed on his 60-ton two-masted schooner. New Boxer, to-day alone for Salem, Mass., with a cargo of lumber. He sailed from bangor with one man, who ran away as soon as the schooner reached here, and after waiting a week Capt. Cambage became dis-

FIRST ROOSEVELT DELEGATES.

Two Men Chosen to Vote for Him in the National Convention in 1904.

WILKES-BARRE, Pa., Aug. 11.-The first national delegates to be instructed to vote for the nomination of President Roosevelt in 1904 were elected at the Republican County Convention here to-day. They are Congressman H. W. Palmer and Albert C. Leisenring, a millionaire coal operator.

The resolutions say "We admire the courage that prompts him to do right to all men without respect to race, color or condition. We indorse his determination to hew to the line in the pursuit of offenders against the law, be they of high or low degree. We trust that he may long be spared to stand as an example of virile American manhood, fearing nothing but failure to do duty toward

God and man." CHICAGO GREAT WESTERN SOLD? President Stickney Admits That Negotia-

tions Are On. St. PAUL, Minn., Aug. 11.-President Stickney of the Chicago Great Western refused to deny or confirm to-night a rumor of the sale of the road He admitted that negotiations are pending and said that

the deal had not yet been closed. From other sources it was learned that an option has been secured upon the road, and that the transfer may be made in twenty-four hours.

GERMANS MAY VISIT NAVY YARDS Unusual Request From Kalser's Govern-

ment Is Granted. WASHINGTON, Aug. 11 .- A request from the German Government for permission for German sailors to visit the navy yards of the United States on the occasion of the coming visit to this country of one of Emperor William's training ships was granted to-day by Acting Secretary of the Navy

Darling. As the request was an unusual one, the matter was referred to several high naval officers and then to the President before a decision was reached. It is the opinion of Secretary Darling that, as the navy yards are practically open to inspection by visitors without regard to their nationality, there could be no harm in permitting sailors to look around and see the condition of the American navy yards.

NEW METAL, SELIUM. Lighter and Stronger Than Aluminum and

Costs Much Less. WASHINGTON, Aug. 11.-The discovery in Germany of a new metal called selium by Edward Mollard, a Frenchman, is reported to the State Department. The discoverer asserts that selium costs only one-twelfth as much as aluminum and is lighter and stronger. It does not rust and is therefore suitable for shipbuilding, for the manufacture of

pipes and for railroad construction. It is asserted also that, as it is capable of taking a fine polish resembling nickel, it would be desirable for cooking utensils. Its hardness is not quite equal to that of iron, but is greater than that of lead or railway employees. be greater than that of iron, but less than that of steel.

TWO MINE WORKERS MOBBED.

Resented With Violence. BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Aug. 11.-B. L. Greer, colored, vice-president, and Joe Hollier white, organizers of the district organization of the United Mine Workers of Alabama, were mobbed to-day at Horse Creek, Walker county. Several white men, said to be employees of the company there, are charged with the assault. The camp

at Horse Creek is non-union. Greer and Hollier had been to Empire, nine miles from Horse Creek, and had organized a local. They stopped on their way back at Horse Creek. The union leaders were ordered out of the place. Greer was beaten over the head. Hollier was shot and

RAN THE NEGROES OUT.

Mob of Armed Whites Causes a Railroad Camp to Become Depopulated. NORFOLK, Va., Aug. 11.-A mob of white en from Harlan county, Ky., went into Lee county, Va., near Pennington Gap yesterday heavily armed and entered the railroad camp on the branch of the Louisville and Nashville Railroad, demanding that the contractors should discharge the 100 negroes in their employ. The demand was refused and the mob went to the negroes themselves and ordered them to leave work and the country. Only a few resisted, as the display of firearms had the desired effect. Not a negro is to

be found there. Work is suspended WOMAN HOLDS UP WOMAN. But the Highway Woman Gets Nothing

From Her Intended Victim. Mrs. James Leister of North Bergen, N. J., was held up in a dark and lonely spot by a woman late on Monday night. The strange woman asked Mrs. Leister for a trolley fare to "Little Coney Island," a resort in North

Bergen. As Mrs. Leister opened her handbag to get the money, the woman struck her and grabbed the handbag. Mrs. Leister succeeded in getting away, although her wrist was severely wrenched as a result of the

WOMAN TO RUN ENGINE. Passed Examination in Washington Gets a License.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 11.-Mrs. Amasa Berger, the "woman engineer," got a license to-day to operate a stationary engine in the District of Columbia. She is the first woman who ever took the engineer's examination in Washington. She will run the engine which supplies the power for her husband's steam bakery.

DIED ON WAY TO POORHOUSE. Woman of 80 Had Often Expressed a Dread

SARATOGA, N. Y., Aug. 11 .- Mrs. Mary Corrigan, 80 years old, died to-day in a carriage while being taken to the Saratoga county poorhouse. She had often expressed a dread of the poorhouse, remarking that she would never

The Great Fall River Line Steamer PLYMOUTH and Steel Twin Screw Flyer RICHARD PECK of the New Haven Line will attend the international Yacht Races, commencing Aug. 20th. See Adv.—

live to reach there.

PARIS SUBWAY A DEATH TRAP

FIRE THERE TAKES 84 VICTIMS AND SHOWS IMPERFECTIONS.

Funnel Not Property Ventilated, and Deadly Fumes Overcome Fleeing Passengers -Cars Built of Pitch Pine Burn Flercely -Survivors Tell of Struggles for Life

-Women and Children Among the Dead Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. Paris, Aug. 11.-Eighty-four bodies have been recovered from the tunnel of the Metropolitan Electric Railway, and it is believed that few, if any, more lives were

lost by the burning of trains last night. Though the fire started at 8:30 o'clock in the evening, it was midnight before the firemen were able to approach near enough to turn the hose on the mass of flame in the tunnel. It was 3 o'clock this morning before anything could be ascertained as

to the number of victims.

VICTIMS CAUGHT IN DEATH TRAP. The tunnel where the first train caught fire was imperfectly ventilated, and soon became almost as hot as an oven. The doors of all the stations in the Belleville section, in which the disaster occurred, close automatically. The ventilating open-

ings are few and far between and work badly. The extent of the disaster was due to the fact that the cars were built of pitch pine, which, upon catching fire, burned like tinder. The blaze was communicated to the other trains and finally to the sleepers,

which burned all night. The sleepers were prepared with creceote to prevent their decaying, and this added a choking quality to the smoke that it would not have possessed otherwise. The fumes were so overpowering that it was impossible to work air pumps at the ventilating orifices or the openings at the stations.

This state of things continued until morning. M. Lepine, prefect of police, says that when the line was opened he wanted to have ventilation openings every 300 yards, but the engineers said they saw no necessity for so many orifices.

HOW THE DISASTER OCCURRED.

gives the following version of the disaster:

The station master at Rue des Couronnes

"At 7:35 o'clock last night a train com-

ing from Dauphine had to make a halt at the Barbes station. Something had gone wrong with the motor and the train could not be started, so the passengers got down. "Very shortly after another train going in the same direction arrived at the Barbes

station. The passengers in this train also

got out, and it started to push the disabled train to the terminus. "These two empty trains flew past the stations between Barbes and Belleville. The next station is Couronnes, but before they got so far flames had burst through the floor of the disabled train and were leaping up toward the doors and windows of the cars, in which were ten terrified

shouted to the driver of the second t to stop, telling him that he did not have time to reach the terminus. He declared that he had, and the two flaming trains disappeared in the tunnel in the direction of the Menilmontant station. "They were nearing that station when suddenly a long, bluish flame shot up between the first and second trains and a

"As the burning carriages passed me

carriages were now in flames, and the drivers and conductors had only time to fice. The two trains were soon burning furiously. "The flames ran along the walls and ceiling of the tunnel and melted the electric light wires, leaving the tunnel in darkness except for the light given by the burning

loud explosion was heard. All the eight

"The electric current was then switched off, but another train full of working mer and women was at that moment between Belleville and Couronnes, and when the current was stopped this train came to a standstill at the entrance of the Couronne station, about 300 yards from the blasing

"An indescribable panic ensued. The

passengers were in complete darkness, save

for the light from the burning carriages

Men and women fought like beasts for air and liberty." The firemen and police took steps o restore order and save the lives of the many passengers, but every-thing combined to make the task one of extraordinary difficulty, and it was midnight before they could even begin to fight the flames. By 3 o'clock the blase had been extinguished, except at one point; but the heat remained intense, the ther-

The smoke was so dense that it was almost impenetrable, and it was 4 o'alook before the firemen reached the Menilmontant station. They soon brought out seven mutilated and blackened bodies. The remains of the victims were carried in litters to an omnibus station and a police station close at hand.

mometer registering 158 degrees Fahrenheit.

The Boulevard Belleville was filled with an awestruck crowd and heads were uncovered as the bodies were carried past. Of the first fifty-six bodies recovered forty-four were those of men, ten of women and two of children, all belonging to the working class. All the victims appeared to have died of asphyxiation. The majority of the bodies had the arms raised, the fists clinched, and the legs twisted and some of them were bent double. Almost all had wounds on the face and hands. Many of the victims held handkerchiefs in their smoke begrimed hands.

Among the last of the bodies to be recovered were those of a woman and two children. The woman was holding the children by the hands.

Owing to the small dimensions of the morgue forty-four of the bodies were taken to police headquarters, the large guard room of which was hung with black draperies. Some of the bodies were almost unrecognizable. As soon as any of them was identified it was placed in a coffin. There are forty bodies at the morgue.

torn and tumbled, is not burned at all. All heir faces and hands are of a purple bronze color. Blood has dried around the cars,

The clothing of the victims, although

public funeral has been ordered.

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